

Small Business Regulatory Fairness Board

Small Business Impact Statement

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Please describe the methods your agency considered or used to reduce the impact on small businesses.

Revenue received and compliance costs over the last three fiscal years and biennial cycles were analyzed to determine if income and/or costs fluctuated greatly from year to year. Licenses that were not renewed were compared to new applications for licensure to determine if a decrease in the licenses not renewed was offset by new applications for licensure

Please explain how your agency has involved small businesses in the development of the proposed rule.

Professional association members attend committee meetings and the executive director provides licensure updates at annual meetings.

Please list the probable monetary costs and benefits to your agency and any other agencies affected. Please include the estimated total amount your agency expects to collect from additionally imposed fees and how the moneys will be used.

The proposed amendment will decrease revenue for the committee by approximately \$260,750 during the first year of implementation and the subsequent renewal cycle. The reduction in revenue will not affect the committee negatively, as it is the committee's duty to reduce fees to a level that is not excessive to carry out the duties of the board.

Please describe small businesses that will be required to comply with the proposed rule and how they may be adversely affected.

The reduction of the renewal fee has a positive affect for a licensee as a reduction in a fee is a reduction in the cost of doing business.

Please list direct and indirect costs (in dollars amounts) associated with compliance.

The amended language requests a reduction in the current renewal fee of \$75 to \$50. A fiscal note has been filed in accordance with sections 536.200 and 536.205, RSMo.

Please list types of business that will be directly affected by, bear the cost of, or directly benefit from the proposed rule.

Licensed professional counselors renewing their license will directly benefit from the fee reduction.

Does the proposed rule include provisions that are more stringent than those mandated by comparable or related federal, state, or county standards?

Yes___ No X

If yes, please explain the reason for imposing a more stringent standard.

For further guidance in the completion of this statement, please see §536.300, RSMo.